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CCI TO END TUTORING

Minimum wage hike blamed

Diana Medina
News Editor

On Wednesday February 13th, the Center for Community Involvement announced that it will be closing its individual tutoring program at the end of the Spring 2019 semester.

This program, which has been available at Pacific for over three decades, had been devoted to providing academic assistance to low-income families in the Stockton community and was one of the largest employers for Pacific students. Terminating the program will be one of the greatest reductions the establishment has experienced in its 140-year history.

"We recognize the deep impact that this decision has on our community," stated Marylou Bagus-Hansen, the Director of the Center for Community Involvement.

"We are committed to helping our Individual Tutoring families find alternative educational enrichment programs in Stockton and San Joaquin County. The CCI will maintain our partnership with Stockton Unified School District and continue supporting these existing programs with Pacific student tutors."

The reason for this dramatic change has been stated to be California's 2016 legislation requiring minimum wage to be raised to \$15 by the year 2022. "The CCI has historically attracted and retained strong tutors through ongoing training and competitive wages above the minimum. As a result, the overall costs to maintain this program are no longer sustainable."

This decision will prevent the price of tutoring services, which has already more than doubled from \$10 to \$22 in the space of ten years, from continuing to rise further out of necessity, thereby alienating

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This semester will be the last for tutoring at the Center of Community Involvement.

PC: Carlos Flores

ICE Goes After Rapper 21 Savage

Malavika Raj
Lifestyles Editor

On February 3rd, 2019, Shéyaa Bin Abraham-Joseph, otherwise known as 21 Savage, was arrested by ICE (Immigration Customs and Enforcement) and taken into custody. A citizen of the United Kingdom, Savage came to the United States and overstayed his Visa. ICE is claiming that his Visa expired in 2006 when Savage was just 14 years old.

21 Savage remained in custody until February 13th, 2019 and was released on a \$100,000 bail.

In an interview with the New York Times, 21 explains that growing up without a legal status played a huge role in his identity. Entering the country when he was just 7, Savage found out about his illegal status when he

was in his teens. "I couldn't never take driver's ed, I couldn't never go get a job," said Savage.

He also mentioned that learning to live without legal status was something he just got used to. "It felt impossible. It got to the point where I just learned to live without it. 'Cause I still ain't got it, I'm 26, and I'm rich. So, just learned to live without it."

There is speculation that he came up on ICE's radar after applying for a U Visa, a visa given to crime victims who assist law enforcement officials with an active investigation. It is reported that Savage witnessed the shooting of one of his friends and fellow gang member.

Savage was previously arrested for felony drug charges in Fulton County, Georgia, but was ex-



ICE arrest 21 Savage for overstaying his visa.

PC: Evan Agostini

punged from his record last year.

Even though the rapper applied for a visa, Department of Homeland Security noted that it can take over three years for an applicant to even get on the waiting list.

Savage's lawyers are arguing that since he came to this country at

a very young age, he did not understand the circumstances of his immigration. They will likely use his VISA application as proof that he wanted to ensure his legality.

Savage's arrest has sparked outrage amongst many people, including celebrities. "The arrest and detention of 21 Savage is

an absolute travesty, his U visa petition has been pending for 4 years," said rapper Jay Z through the Twitter account of his entertainment company, Roc Nation.

Many people also claim that his arrest is further evidence that ICE should be abolished.

Recently, ICE has been under heavy scrutiny for their aggressive deportation methods and policies.

As of right now, Savage's next court date is set to April 11th, 2019. He is also the father to three kids: two sons and a daughter.

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General Clark speaks at Pacific's school of International Business

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General Clark Speaks To Pacific Students

Mason Miller
Contributor

On Thursday, February 7, 2019, Pacific students had the rare opportunity to engage in a discussion with Former NATO head General Wesley Clark.

Clark, who was at Pacific to give a speech later that evening to the community, took an hour and a half out of his schedule to talk with students in the School of International Studies (SIS) prior to his Gerber Lecture Series appearance at Faye Spanos Concert

Hall. During the discussion at George Wilson Hall, Clark gave a brief story on his background before opening up the floor to questions.

Clark is a retired four-star general serving in the United States Army for 38 years, where he received numerous awards for his service including the Presidential Medal of Freedom, an award bestowed by the President of the United States and one of the two highest civilian awards in our country. He is now active in energy, finance, and security.

The major theme of Gen-

eral Clark's discussion with students was a metaphorical passing of the torch.

Several times Clark mentioned that the United States is at a critical inflection point. He asked, "What will define your generation?"

Clark encouraged students to speak up for what they believe in because one day soon their generation would be running the show.

When asked about what reward he was most proud of receiving, Clark simply answered "It's not the award, it's what you

do, what you stand for, and how you live your life. When you can make a difference, you should."

Clark has not been a fan of the Trump administration but he said President Donald Trump has been good for the nation because his actions have encouraged Americans to examine their own personal beliefs.

It is in this quote where one could summarize Clark's message to the students in attendance.

He said, "What the future holds for the country is going

to be very much defined by the commitment, the values, and the courage of the members of this generation."

He challenged each and every one of them to go out into the world and make a difference, by doing what's right.

Students left the event with a sense of renewed purpose.

It is now their mission to make a difference through their actions and General Clark served as an amazing reminder to the students of University of the Pacific that it is now up to them to change the world.

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the families who need the CCI's tutoring services the most.

Following the discontinuation of the program next year, the CCI will be assisting families by providing them with an "Area Tutoring Directory," which will allow them to locate various tutoring services throughout Stockton. For students that have been employed as individual tutors, the CCI has also offered help with finding similar, alternative employment.

Even so, the closing of the program has left an impact on tutors and students' families.

"It's disappointing to see one of Pacific's biggest ways of interacting with the community be shut down," says Jessica Nguyen '19, who has been working at the CCI since her freshman year.

However, the termination of the individual tutoring program does not mean that the Center for Community Involvement will be shutting down entirely.

The Reach Out program and other opportunities for community service will remain available in the years that follow, and representatives are eager to point out that the spirit of the establishment founded in 1879 will persist through all changes, no matter how major.

"We look forward to the continued evolution of this legacy," stated Bagus-Hansen.

It is left for the Pacific community to await the revelation of what form this evolution will take.

Formal Recruitment and the Rapid Decline of Greek Life at Pacific

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Formal recruitment can be an exciting time for those hoping to join a Greek organization. For many, it's an opportunity to capture a glimpse of Greek Life at its best and find one's home on campus. It has been called into question, however, if all the song and dance unique to Panhellenic organizations is beneficial to the promotion of Greek Life, or even necessary.

A glance at the preparations needed for Panhellenic's formal recruitment reveals how wearisome it can be. Some members report spending up to three weeks in constant preparation for formal recruitment, memorizing songs, running through choreographed entrances and exits, and learning the art of subtly persuasive conversation. "I felt so fake and the training made me feel not genuine," says one sister, who wished to remain anonymous. "[It seems to be] about winning people over." Other complaints about the regulations Panhellenic places on sororities, such as those on room decorations and carefully coordinated clothing, have also surfaced. "I could barely afford to buy the outfits," says an anonymous sister.

Alpha Phi alumna Jaquie Santoni '18 remembers much of this reputation from her time in formal recruitment, and notes that taking some



Beta Theta Pi and Sigma Chi houses, located in Fraternity Circle.

PC: Scarlett Green

of the song and dance of Panhellenic away was a welcome change. "Currently, as I understand it, houses aren't allowed to do nearly as much 'frill' as we did back when I was going through recruitment and when I was a part of recruitment," says Santoni, "I am very supportive for this idea because the parts of recruitment that should draw someone in are bonds, similarities, comfort, feeling like you can call those people your second home."

Comparatively, recruitment for Greek fraternities are casual affairs. Events include barbecues, car bashes, or arcade nights, with nowhere near the amount of preparation needed for the events of their Panhellenic counterparts, with the closest thing to a mandated wardrobe being

"For me, the more casual way that fraternities do recruitment eliminates the stressfulness of recruitment. I like how it's done, laid back events with plenty of time to get to know people make for an experience to look forward to rather than dread," says Beta Theta Pi member Marc Ney, '20. "However, since there are usually 5 events, potential new members wouldn't be able to look at every fraternity because they don't have the time for it, especially since most events are on weekdays."

It could be that Panhellenic's stiff ritual approach to recruitment reaps results well worth the inconveniences placed on sororities. But with sign-ups for formal recruitment reaching a low of 54, it's more likely that this reputation for being fake has begun

effects. "While recruitment numbers were high, so was the number of those that dropped after recruitment," remembers Santoni, "When all the 'frill' and fake was taken away, the house needed to stand on its own."

Others believe the fault may be elsewhere, as Delta Gamma member Julia Camera '20 says that, "Not having the school support Greek life as well as the difficulty of reaching out to girls is what leads to low numbers. Often, women know if they want to be Greek or not, so it can be hard to create interest." Bad reputations for Greek life can also come from outside of Pacific's campus, where Greek presence may be larger and potentially much more harmful. "Additionally, large schools' chapters often create a

Greek community because of hazing," Camera explained, "This turns people away from the thought of Greek life. If we were able to make a better name for ourselves and advertise, I think numbers could greatly increase."

The Inter Fraternity Council and its more casual approach to recruitment has not fared much better than their Panhellenic counterparts. Their sign-ups totaled at 65, with both IFC and Panhellenic having nearly identical numbers of men and women accepting bids to join one of Pacific's social greek organizations.

Ney believes the reason for the lower recruitment numbers lies not solely in the reputation garnered for recruitment, but for a lack of promotion on the part of the university. "I think a reason for low numbers is poor marketing strategies paired with the university's lack of support for Greek life," explains Ney, "It's hard to get the word out to everyone, but if more people knew about when and where recruitment events are, numbers wouldn't be nearly as low."

The answer to waning recruitment numbers could also lie in how Greek organizations promote themselves. "The numbers for recruitment when I was active also rang true with high morale in Greek life as a whole. While I am unsure how the morale is now, as I walk my dog through campus, I don't see a lot of social Greek life walking around proudly in letters like

I remember when I was taking classes," says Santoni, "And understanding that wearing letters is a privilege, an honor, and a respectable pride could start up a conversation about your chapters values, your philanthropy or cause, your sisterhood or brotherhood, anything."

Despite the differences in processes between men's and women's Greek recruitment processes, fewer and fewer students at Pacific are choosing to go Greek.

Numbers are waning, and perhaps the traditional ways of promoting Greek life on campus are no longer working. Rather than presenting your letters with the smoke and mirrors of formal recruitment, or presenting them through informal recruitment events alone, the strength and value in Greek life could lie within the values and purposes that define them in the first place. As Santoni explains, "Understanding that wearing letters is a privilege, an honor, and a respectable pride could start up a conversation about your chapters values, your philanthropy or cause, your sisterhood or brotherhood, anything."

It does not take much to start up these conversations. It does not have to be within the walls of a Greek house or within the typical scope of Greek life itself. But having more genuine conversations as to what it truly means to be Greek could be the difference between a resurgence of Greek numbers in the past or their continued decline.

Women in E-Sports: What's Happening, Who's Leading the Way Now?

Carlos Flores
Editor-In-Chief

Gaming, especially at the professional level, is bigger now than it's ever been. Arenas are jam packed full of people from across the world, from countries like South Korea to the United States. Heroes are made from ordinary people, as more and more individuals within the competitive gaming world become household names. Gamers are getting thrust into the public eye, and with it comes questions on how they are treated. Stereotypically, the standard gamer is male, and the competitive demographic tends to reflect that. As a result, there tends to be a less than fantastic reaction when an anomaly such as prominent women in the competitive gaming world come into the light. However, this is slowly but surely beginning to fade away as the number of prominent women in professional gaming is starting to grow. One of the areas that harbors such growth is in a seemingly unlikely place: the world of competitive Super Smash Bros. A game that was initially never intended by its creator, Masahiro Sakurai, to be competitive now fosters one of the only female-exclusive entry points into the competitive scene, with the Smash Sisters side event beginning at the fourth iteration of the Smash tournament known as Genesis. While Smash is not the only eSport to promote female-exclusive competitions or teams, as professional

gaming organizations such as Team Dignitas field an all-female Counter Strike roster, the unorthodox fighting game can largely be credited to directly helping women enter the competitive scene. Team Dignitas Smash player Joey Aldama, also known by his alias, "Lucky", is a veteran of the Smash Bros. scene, having been competing in its second iteration, Super Smash Bros. Melee since 2007. Aldama explains that, "When you think about it, the Melee community has been around for a long time. Obviously, women in eSports have been unfortunately a little halted with progression due to the nature of their surroundings, but Smash in general has been trying to take a big step forward into making a lot more of a better environment."

The female veterans of the Smash community have witnessed this growth, but remember a time when it was virtually impossible to make a start in competitive gaming. Pacific Northwest-based competitor Charlie "LadyC" Morrow looks back on the early days of the competitive Smash community remembering the difficulties that women had in the scene, saying that, "I've been competing in Melee on and off since about 2009... [the early Smash community] has its charm, but it was just bad for women." Morrow continued to note the growth in the mindset of the community, saying that, "I heard a lot of [harassment] when I first started, but I haven't really gotten that in the last couple

years that I've been competing. We're definitely getting better and I hope that this trend continues, but we still have a long ways to go."

Fellow Smash veteran Sesh Evans notes where progress in the mindset of the community still needs to be made, noting that, "That's the progress that needs to be made still, is abolishing that idiotic mindset. That's definitely a minority of people...it's really just a matter of us getting better to where that's not a normal mindset."

"...some of the best gaming talent in the world is showcased on a weekly basis"

That progress has reflected most significantly in a piece of recent history for the Super Smash Bros. community: for the first time in Melee's competitive history, the list of the top 100 players in the world include a non-male player. Sasha Sullivan, better known as "Magi," is the first non-male player in the Melee community player to crack the list of elite players that are touted as the best in the world.

This can be seen as the first of many new prominent non-male competitors in the world of both Smash and eSports as a whole, and the community echoes the sentiment the Sullivan is the first in an inevitable wave of top non-male competitors in the realm of eSports. "As more and more women join the community, I feel that it's only a matter of time," says Pacific student and top-level smasher Zaid Ali '20, "With

newly ranked Magi defeating Mang0, #5 in the world, here at Genesis, I think that more women will find inspiration, and hopefully less intimidation, in pursuing Smash." Other top players, such as Tempo Storm's Jeffrey "Axe" Williamson, share Ali's view, as he explains that, "That's a big deal, there haven't been any female players for Melee to make it to the top 100, it just makes a big statement and it's just really nice to see."

With those beginning signs of progress, however, come forms of pushback in various gaming communities. Popular team-based first-person-shooter Overwatch, published by Blizzard Entertainment in 2016, is currently one of the biggest games being played at a competitive level today. With hundreds of thousands of viewers tuning in to watch competitors in the still new and improving Overwatch League, some of the best gaming talent in the world is showcased on a weekly basis. One of the players in said league is Se-Yeon Kim, also known as Geguri, the first female to play competitive Overwatch professionally.

Kim's career is not without controversy, as her rise to prominence was marked with large amounts of harassment and skepticism. Her skill was doubted to the point where various professional players in the South Korean scene insisted that her play was a result of cheating. The young player, then 16 years old, endured harassment that went so far as death threats, simply because

she was good at playing a competitive game. Thanks to efforts from Blizzard Korea, Kim was successfully able to prove her skills on a live stream, and is now among the ranks of the best professional Overwatch players in the world.

"... they need to say something or do something..."

"It's going to become a lot more rare, and that's really the only goal anyone can have, is for it to be an oddity when that happens," explains Evans, "I honestly don't think people are good enough overall for it to go away completely. It takes awhile to see these changes, but I really do think we're making progress."

Smash commentator and long time face of the community Terrence "TKBreezy" Kershaw notes that, with eSports like Overwatch that are on a much larger stage, there exists a need for organizing companies to stop toxic behavior. "I don't know about Smash being able to affect bigger eSports, I think that has to come down from the top. I think that the companies that run [those eSports] need to take a firm stand on some of these issues, like harassment against women...because we're way smaller than them," Kershaw explains, "So yeah, there's going to be some overlap, but not enough overlap to matter, and that's why when you have a backing company such as Blizzard or Riot, they need to say something or do

something to take measure to make their communities a better place."

The eSports community, despite the existence of harassment, is now learning to police and come down on problematic behavior. Allegations of assault and online harassment have been coming to light in the gaming community, and Smash is no exception, whether the individuals are members of regional communities or members of professional organizations. The fact that they are brought to light and punished within the communities that they harm is yet another sign of a push for positive progress. "The fact that they're speaking out [about harassment] now and not keeping it to themselves...I think that's correct," says Williamson, "I think people that are sexually harassing people in the Smash community shouldn't be here."

Despite the faults that still exist in the gaming community, there is still a sense of hope for its growing levels of inclusion. "I think a lot of it kind of depends on the eSport itself. Hearthstone, for example, and the equality there is unparalleled compared to how it is in Smash or Overwatch," explains Morrow, "We can take a lesson from that, and that gives me hope that not only Smash will improve in that aspect, but other eSports will follow suit. There are examples out there of open, supportive communities for women, nonbinary and trans folks, so fingers crossed that it just gets better in general."

Pacific Garden Club Host Farmer's Market

Diana Medina
News Editor

Healthier food options were closer than ever this month, as Pacific's gardening club hosted its second farmers' market on campus.

The seventh of February saw students selling their own produce as a part of a perennial and creative attempt to introduce the Pacific community to vegetables and fruits that were grown directly on campus.

Herman Kaur, who works for the gardening club, has stated that the market was created as a method of increasing the Pacific community's awareness about the club and what it has to offer to students. "The garden program itself is about bring awareness to students that we have a garden and it's available to them. The farmer's market is more to bring awareness to what happens in the garden and hopefully bring people in that way."

Within the garden program, each student has a small patch of soil located in an enclosure over by the art building, where they cultivate their own produce as guided by their director, and are scheduled to harvest their vegetables at a specified time.

The garden club grows its produce at the Ted and Chris Robb Garden. It's a beautiful and serene space with benches, composting, a greenhouse and pathways. Flowers dot the garden as well as seasonal vegetables such as swiss chard. There are also herbs.

For this event, rather than selling the produce elsewhere, members of the club stationed themselves outside the DeRosa University Center for two hours to offer their work to Pacific students in hopes of raising interest in their program.

Although it has been confirmed that the farmers' market will be a recurring event, the date for subsequent events remains uncertain as of publication.



Students can join the Robb Garden Club. Contact RobbGarden@pacific.edu for more details, or join through OrgSync. The Robb Garden Club maintains its own plot in the Robb Garden. Above and at left the garden is seen on a crisp winter morning this past week.

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Reality Church Adopts Tigers For Taste Of Home

Amanda Davis
Sports Editor

Going away to college can be exciting. There are new friends' new opportunities and experiences, and a whole new way of life! However, it can also be a scary thing to encounter. There may be plenty of potential friends, but what about those friends back at home? What about family members who are cities, states, or even countries away? Making that adjustment can be hard but thankfully there are kind, friendly people who are willing to help make that transition a little easier and a lot less lonely.

In January of 2018, the Reality Church of Stockton opened their Adopt-a-Tiger program to connect Pacific students with families of the church. It was created with college students in mind, intending to provide a second home and an escape from college life to Tigers who need it.

"I had noticed a divide between older adults (post-college) in the church and the students who attend," says Deacon Lauren McDermott, a Pacific alumna. "I wanted to find a way to help students connect with the other generations of the church, and also to help them feel they belonged and were a meaningful part of our community." With college students making up almost a third of the Reality Church community, this divide is not easily missed. By having a type of mentoring program, the church could

become more connected and learn from each other through this bond. There are currently seven students and six host families participating in this program.

So far, McDermott has seen the Adopt-a-Tiger program do extraordinary things. Aside from forming strong bonds with other members of the church, many hosts and student participants were able to add back in parts of their lives that they had been missing. One student who missed being around young children got matched with a family who loved having a helping hand with the kids.

Another duo grew together through sharing their experiences and life perspectives found through difficult times in life. The program has provided students a space to feel comfortable and reach out for help when they needed it.

One of the Tigers participating in the Adopt-a-Tiger program, Allyson Chan, Pre-Pharmacy '23, feels that it is a great way to become more connected in the community and in the church. Although she does also participate in a community group through Reality, the Adopt-a-Tiger program has helped her come out of her comfort zone and connect with more people.

"It is nice to talk to and get to know church people outside of the physical church building and to build relationships that way," Chan shares. Being relatively new to the program, she has not had as many opportunities to spend time with her host fam-



Members of Reality Church in Stockton sing songs during a Sunday Service

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ily but she has already bonded with her "Tiger mom" and the other student who shares the family with her over their passion for the health field. Chan and her Adopt-a-Tiger family spend time together at lunch after church and sometimes she gets a lunch delivery from her Tiger mom on campus! She encourages any Pacific student interested in joining the program to go for it because "it's fun and gives you the opportunity to meet new people."

McDermott emphasizes the

importance of being open to off-campus extracurriculars to take a break from college life and be exposed to a wider variety of people and experiences.

"Adopt-a-Tiger is an opportunity to connect with a local family of people who want to welcome and support you," she states. "Don't miss out!" It is easy to sign up on the church's website (realitystockton.com) and there are no extra requirements. Student participants are not required to have their own ride to

church or to be attending for an extended period of time. Although the Reality Church of Stockton is a Christian nondenominational church, students do not need to be Christian to participate in the program. For those who are curious about joining and would like to check things out first, there is a group of Pacific students that meets across from the mailroom on campus every Sunday at 10AM to carpool to the church.

For families, couples, or any member of the church

who want to adopt a Tiger, sign-ups are also online. Hosts must also be active members of the church and reach out to their Tigers at least once a month.

It is a great way to help Pacific students feel like they belong here in Stockton. For church members who have some love to spare and for students who need a home away from home, the Adopt-a-Tiger program is a perfect way create special ties in the community.

Super Bowl Low Score Serves Up Boring Game

Carlos Flores

Editor-in-Chief

On the first weekend of February, the New England Patriots and the Los Angeles Rams went head to head in the fifty-third iteration of the major sporting event known as the Super Bowl. Millions tuned in for one of the biggest televised events of the year to watch the New England Pa-

triotics be crowned champions for the sixth time following a game that was totally, absolutely, and without a doubt, a complete bore.

The game ended 13-3 in favor of Bill Belichick, Tom Brady, and the perennial villains of the National Football League, with a touchdown being scored only once throughout the entire game. This was the first time in Super Bowl history that a game had gone three quarters without

a touchdown, as up to that point the game had consisted of two field goals, a missed field attempt, and countless turnovers.

Not even individuals who watch the Super Bowl for reasons other than football could be entertained, as the only notable commercials played in the three hours included a few witty T-Mobile ads and Budweiser's annual "dog and some horses" commercial. The halftime show included a

shirtless Adam Levine, notable Georgia rapper Big Boi, and Travis Scott pulling the biggest "gotcha" moment in the history of the halftime show.

Super Bowl LIII was an endless series of could-have-beens. What could have been a medley of creative commercials to keep non sports fans entertained became three hours that potential new football fans will never get back.

What could have been an entertaining showcase of pop-

ular and local musical artists became an endless supply of Twitter memes comparing Adam Levine's clothing choices to living room pillows and curtains. What could have been an exciting war of attrition between two of the best teams in the NFL became a contest to see who could fail slightly less than the other.

Ratings reflect the declining quality of one of the biggest shows in American television. This year's Super Bowl had the

lowest ratings in a decade, a stark contrast to an optimistic rise in television viewership for the NFL's regular season. Maybe it was because people hate to see the perennial favorite Patriots play in the Super Bowl over and over again. Maybe it was because the football was just genuinely bad and boring to watch. But regardless of the reason, the 2018 NFL season ended not with a bang, but with a nationally resounding cry of: "meh."

Tiger Baseball Starts Season With Winning Streak

Malavika Raj

Lifestyles Editor

University of the Pacific's Baseball season has begun, and the Tigers, fortunately, have had a pretty great start for their season.

Pacific's Baseball team was set to open their season with three games against the Chicago State Cougars starting on February 16th at 6 p.m at Klein Family Field. Due to rain and poor weather conditions, the game was cancelled. Soon after, an update from Pacific Athletics announced the opener would be pushed to Saturday, February 16th at 1 P.M. Despite the delays and weather conditions, the baseball team put on a stellar performance winning 3-0. Thanks to the offense team,

the Tigers were able to score 15 hits and 9 home runs.

According to Pacific Athletics, this is the Tigers' first 3-0 start to a season since 1994.

The Tiger baseball team is lead by Head Coach Ryan Garko, Assistant Coaches Michael Reuvekamp and Joey Centanni.

Head Coach Ryan Garko, along with 16 new players this year, is planning for a successful season. This is Garko's second year coaching with Pacific.

Previously, Garko had been the manager for the Dillers, a minor league baseball team based in Tulsa, Oklahoma. He also spent six years in major league baseball, playing for teams such as the San Francisco Giants and the Cleveland Indians. In August 2013, he was named the assistant coach to Stanford's baseball team. According to his biography in

Pacific's Athletic website, Garko "helped land two recruiting classes that were nationally ranked by Perfect Game and Baseball America, and worked with both the Stanford Admissions office and the Athletic Academic Resource Center at Stanford to bring student-athletes with both athletic and academic talent to Stanford." Tiger Baseball's winning streak did not end after their victory against the Cougars.

On Tuesday February 19th, Pacific Baseball solidly beat San Jose State University's Spartans 8-1. Pacific's early lead helped secure the win. According to Pacific's Athletics website, "Pacific built an early lead and its pitchers shut down the Spartan hitters throughout the game." The victory against the Spartans secures a four game winning streak, which surpasses the record of a three game win



Pacific men's baseball team lines up against gate

PC: Pacific Athletics

streak set last season.

The Tigers returned to Klein Family Field Thursday, February 21st to start a four game series with Sacramento

State University's Hornets.

The first two games of the series will be played in Stockton, while the last two games will be played in Sacramento.

If the Tigers win this series against the Sacramento State Hornets, it will give the Tigers a 5-0 start for a season, which will go undoubtedly go down in the books.